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For: PHOTOELECTRIC CONVERTER,

METHOD FOR DRIVING

PHOTOELECTRIC CONVERTER

AND SYSTEM HAVING

PHOTOELECTRIC CONVERTER)

June 7, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1, 2, 3, 5 and 8 to read as follows. A marked-up version of those Claims, showing the changes made thereto, is attached.

Sub C. A. (Amended) A photoelectric converter comprising a photoelectric conversion element of a laminated structure comprising:

a first electrode layer;